

# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

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**SUBJECT** Draft WQSAC tasks and schedule for 2008

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Dept. of Environmental Services  
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**TO** Water Quality Standards Advisory  
Committee 1/22/2008 meeting

### Draft WQSAC tasks and schedule for 2008

ITEM (shading = Canobie Lake critical path task)	01/22/08 STATUS	01/22/08 NEXT STEPS	Meeting Date
Changes to Nutrients and Water Transfer rule language	WQSAC work on hold as of 10/26/2004	DES and WQSAC review and finalize	2/26/2008
Revised sewage/ waste discharge definition discussion paper	Last discussed at 7/13/2004 meeting. Awaiting legal review.	DES provide legal review and produce final guidance	2/26/2008
Antidegradation: High Quality (Tier 2) Water and Assimilative Capacity	WQSAC reviewed a draft #2 and examples at 4/2006 meeting	DES prepare draft #3 and a Table of parameters and Tier 2 estimation methods	4/22/2008
Significant/ Insignificant determination	WQSAC Reviewed at 6/2005 meeting and discussed subcommittees for guidance development		4/22/2008
Determination of "as naturally occurs" for Class A waters	WQSAC reviewed a revised draft at 9/2004 meeting	DES complete internal review and present final draft to WQSAC	4/22/2008
Economic and social justification	WQSAC Reviewed initial discussion paper at 6/2005 meeting and discussed workgroups for guidance development	DES restart discussions and present recommendations. Form workgroups.	4/22/2008 -
Cost effective and reasonable BMPs for NPS	Not Started		6/24/2008
Changes to Antidegradation rule language	Not Started	Possible changes to be tracked as guidance discussions proceed	6/24/2008
Tier 3 criteria	Not Started	On hold - Canobie Lake transfer items first	
Revised existing use discussion paper	WQSAC reviewed a revised draft at 11/2005 meeting	On hold - Canobie Lake transfer items first	
Temperature Criteria	Not Started	On hold - Canobie Lake transfer items first	
Turbidity	WQSAC work on hold 10/2004	On hold - Canobie Lake transfer items first	
Low flow modeling	WQSAC work on hold 10/2004	On hold - Canobie Lake transfer items first	